Studying Photon Structure at Electron-Ion-Collider

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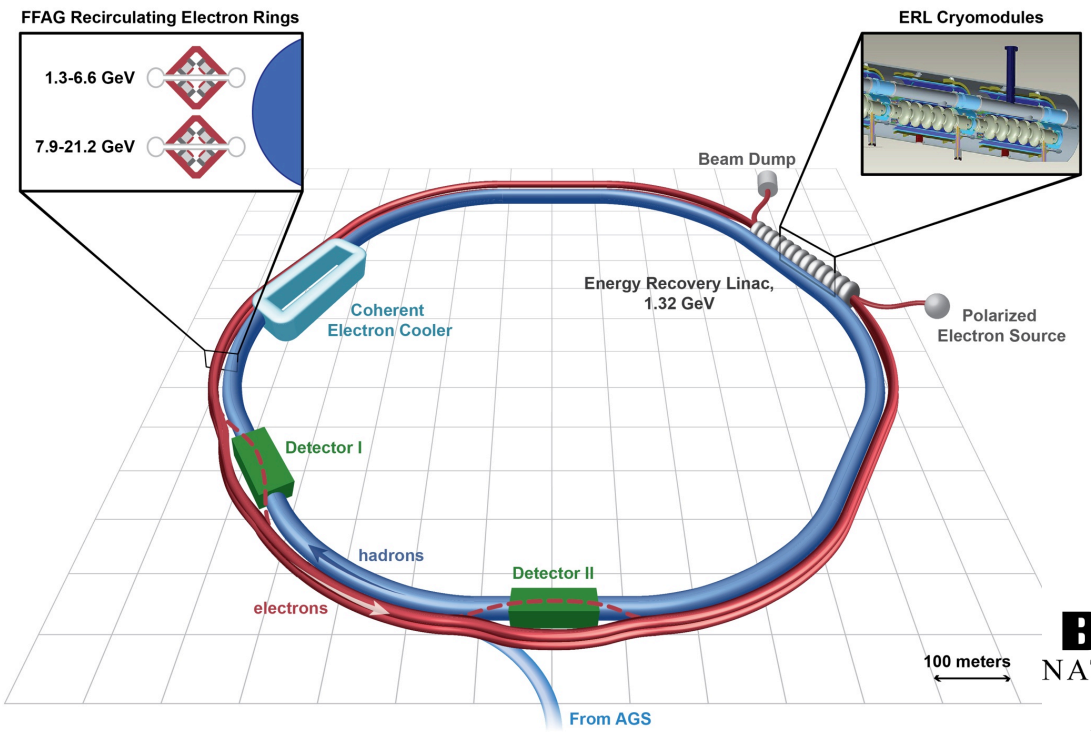
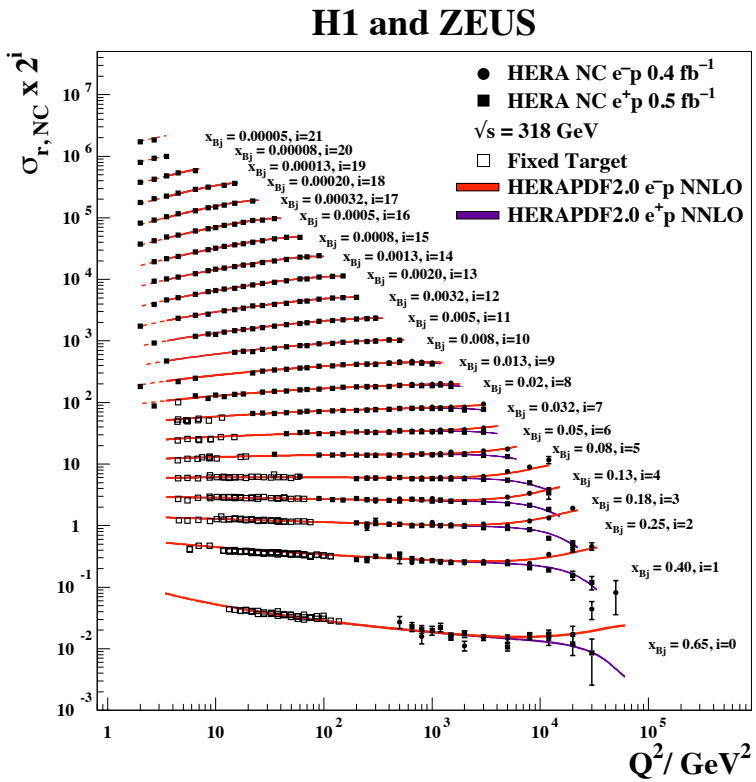


Outline

- **Introduction**
- **Photon structure at EIC**
  - Di-jet & Di-hadron method
  - Validating Monte Carlo with HERA data
  - Separation of direct and resolved process
  - Reconstruct x_γ
  - Jets from photon side & jets from proton side
- **Summary**

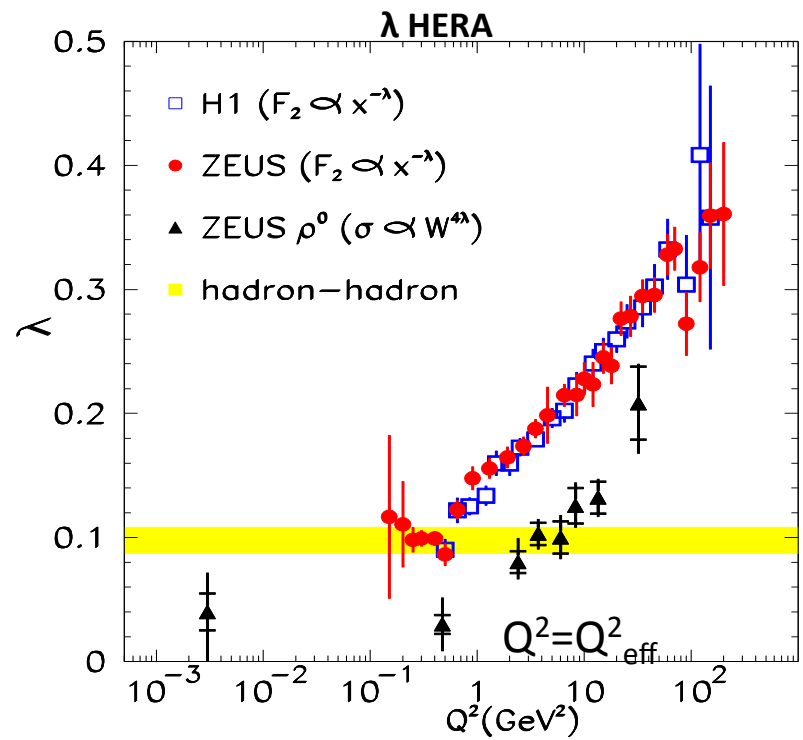
Problem?



$$\frac{d^2\sigma^{NC}_{e^\mp p}}{dxdQ^2} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^2_{em}Y_+}{xQ^4}\left(F_2 - \frac{y^2}{Y_+}F_L \pm \frac{Y_-}{Y_+}xF_3\right)$$

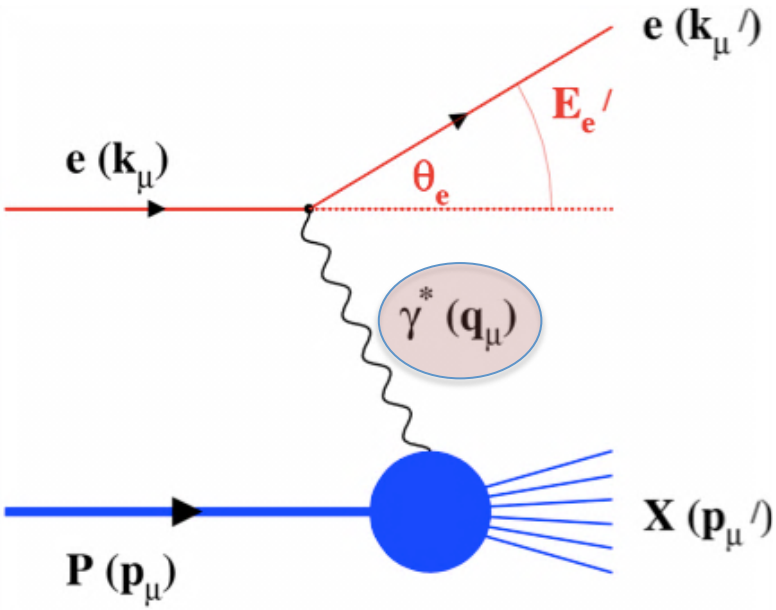
$q(x,Q^2) - \bar{q}(x,Q^2)$ $\quad$ $g(x,Q^2)$ $\quad$ $q(x,Q^2) + \bar{q}(x,Q^2)$

$$F_2 \propto x^{-\lambda}$$



- **Does the kink occur at the same Q^2 for eA and for polarized ep**
- **Photon structure as fct. of Q^2**

Introduction



- Behavior of the exchanged photon:
  - Bare photon state
  - **Hadronic photon state**
- Photon can be superposition of above states!

- The "internal structure" of photons is a manifestation of **quantum fluctuations**
  - Photon splits into parton content $(t \approx E / M^2)$
- We measure the photon structure in **quasi-real photoproduction**
  - Low Q^2 events

Structure of the photon

- **Unpolarized photon structure:**

arXiv:9504004, arXiv:9710018, Eur. Phys. J. C 10, 363{372 (1999), DESY 97-164

- **Polarized photon structure: (critical input for ILC $\gamma\gamma$ option)**

no data

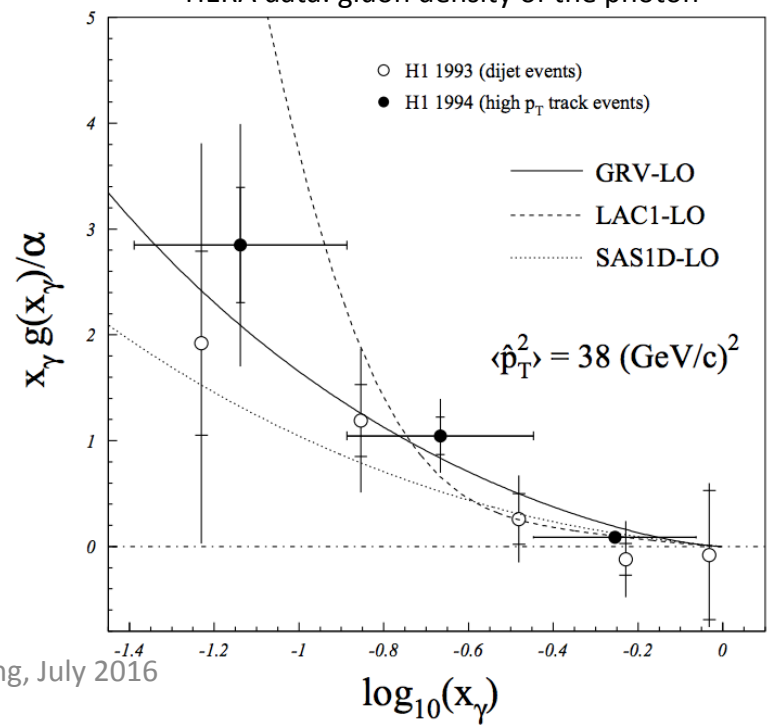
theory: Z. Phys. C 74, 641—650 (1997) and arXiv:971125

- **Photon Parton Distribution Functions (PDFs)**
  - Density of the partons
  - With large uncertainty

$$f(x,Q^2) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q(x,Q^2) \\ \bar{q}(x,Q^2) \\ g(x,Q^2) \end{array} \right.$$

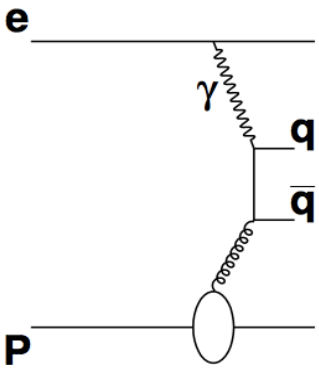
- x_γ is defined as the momentum fraction of the parton from the photon

HERA data: gluon density of the photon



Resolved/direct process

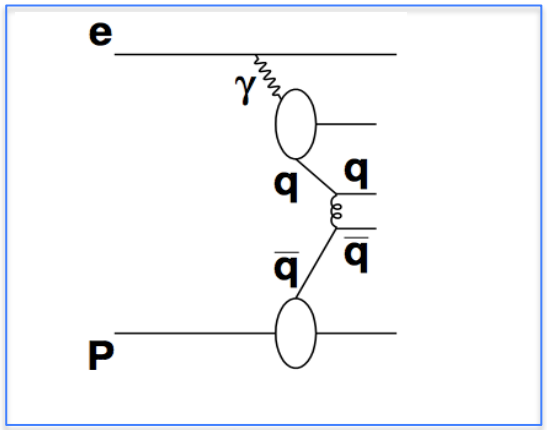
- **"Direct process" category**
  - Point-like photon(no substructure)
  - x_γ is close to 1



PGF: Di-jet produced

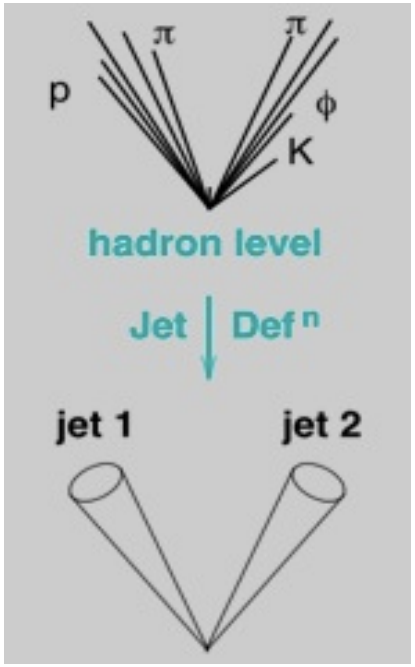
- **"Resolved process" category**
  - Hadronic photon
  - x_γ is smaller than 1
  - Di-jet/di-hadron production

➔ Separate di-jet(di-hadron) produced in resolved and direct processes, to get clear resolved process.



Similar with pp collision

Di-jet / Di-hadron method



- **Di-hadron method**
  - Two hadrons with highest p_T
- **Di-jet method**
  - Two jets with highest p_T

Reconstruct x_γ by using di-jet/di-hadron as observables:

$$x_\gamma^{rec} = \frac{1}{2E_e y}(p_{T1}e^{-\eta_1} + p_{T2}e^{-\eta_2})$$

- **Parton densities in the photon can be extracted by measuring di-jet cross section**

PYTHIA simulation confronted with HERA data

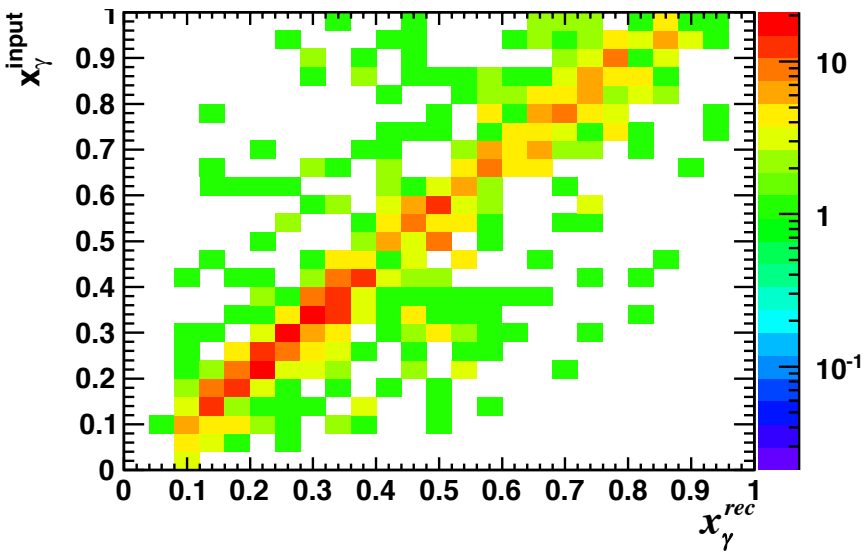
Kinematics cuts from HERA:

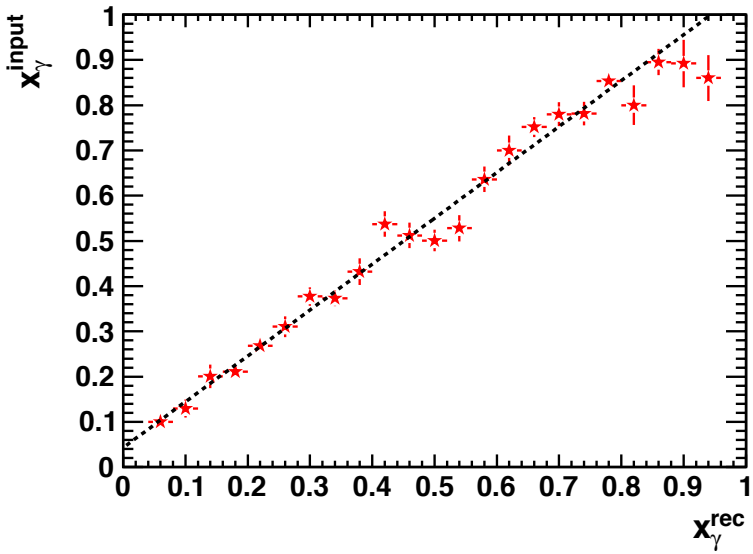
27GeV×820GeV

0.2<y<0.83

E^{jet1}_T, E^{jet2}_T>7.5 GeV , $E^{jet1}_T+E^{jet2}_T$>20GeV, $|E^{jet1}_T-E^{jet2}_T|/(E^{jet1}_T+E^{jet2}_T)$<0.25

$|\Delta\eta^{jets}|<1$, $0<\eta^{jet1}+\eta^{jet2}<4$





Strong correlation observed between x_γ^{input} and the input x_γ^{rec} used in the simulation indicates the di-jet observable is ideal for x_γ reconstruction.

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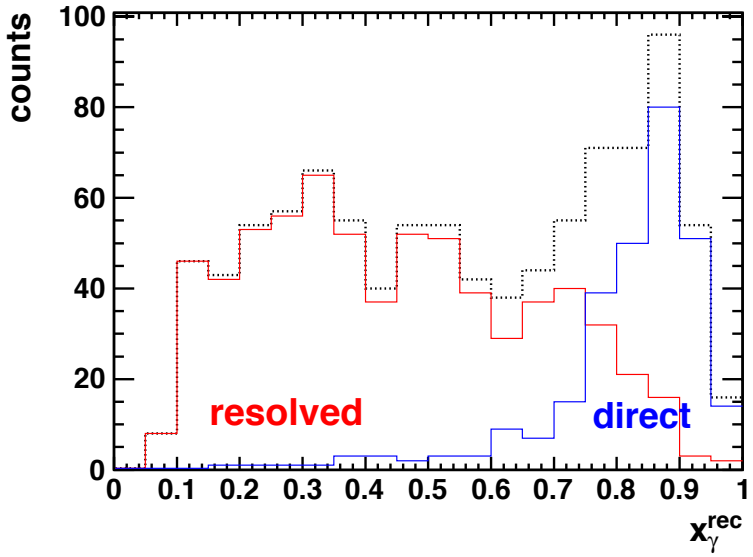
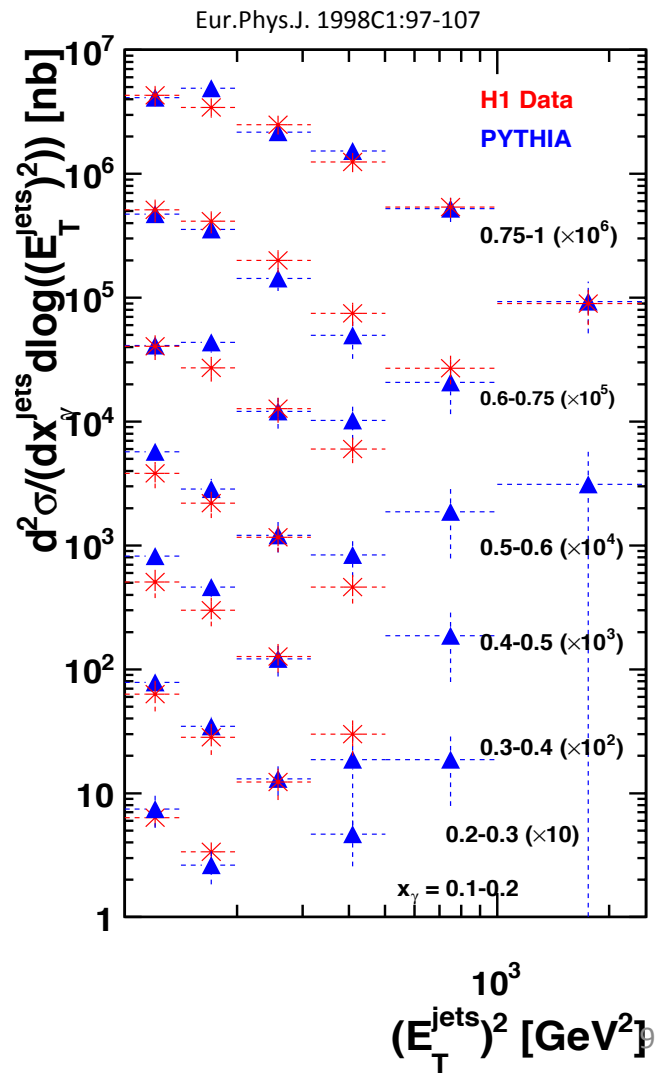
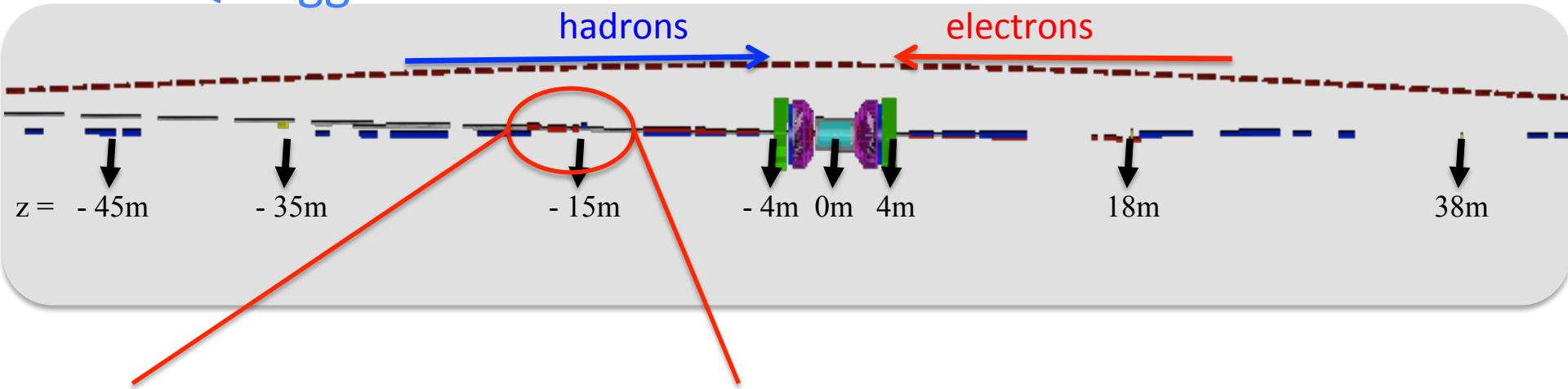




- **Reconstructing x^{rec}_γ provides a good way to separate direct/resolved contribution($x^{rec}_\gamma < 0.75$)**
- **Our simulation can match the existing data perfectly**

EIC Advantages

- Low Q^2 tagger



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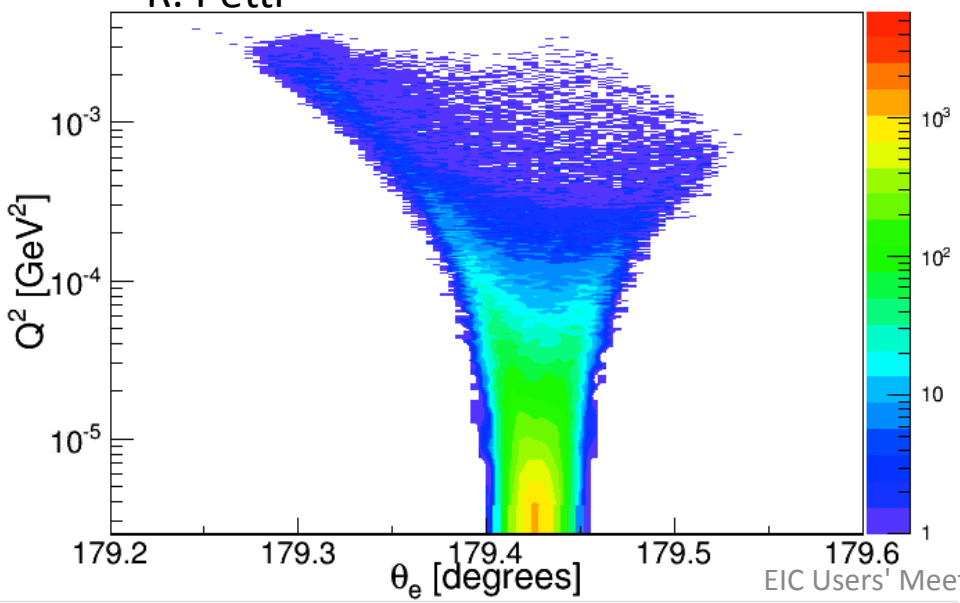


- **pythia events with electron reconstructed in the tagger**
- **acceptance for electrons down to Q^2~1×10^{-5} GeV^2**

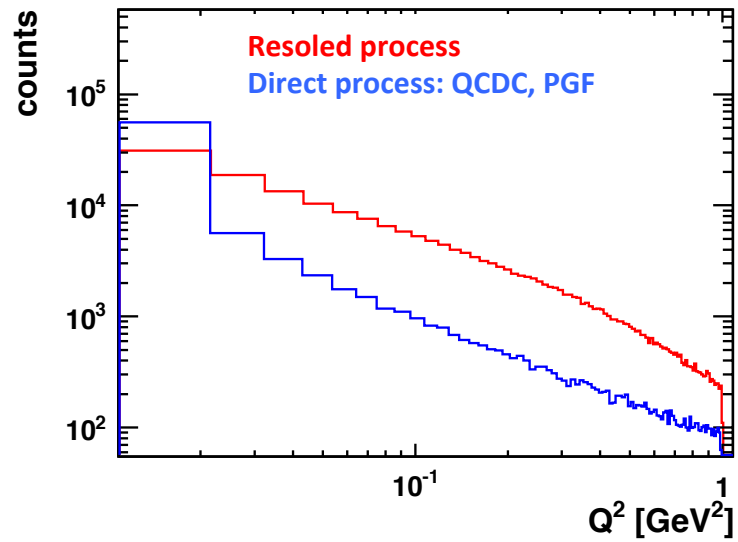
Photon structure at EIC

- Statistic description
  1. Basic parameters

Parameter	Set
Ee	20 GeV
Ep	250 GeV
Q^2	< 1
x	10^{-9} — 0.99
Proton PDF set	CTEQ5
N_{evt}(million)	25
σ (microbarn)	54.7
$L_{int}(pb^{-1})$	0.457

CTEQ5 shows the best description of cross section at low Q^2

2. Di-jet produced in ep collision through hard scattering



Resolved process
qq → qq
q qbar → q qbar
q qbar → gg
gq(qg) → gq(qg)
gg → q qbar
gg → gg

79%

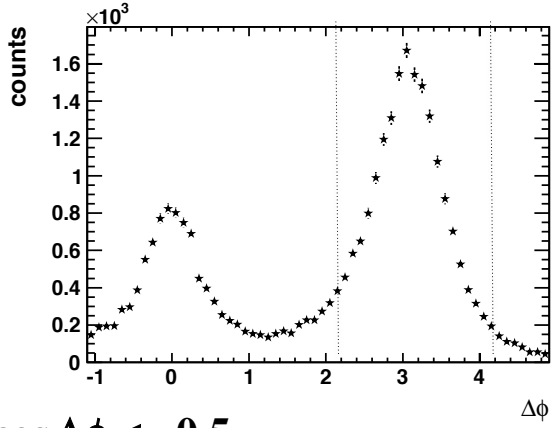
Direct process: QCDC, PFG
$\gamma_T q \rightarrow qg$
$\gamma_L q \rightarrow qg$
$\gamma_T g \rightarrow q$ qbar
$\gamma_L g \rightarrow q$ qbar

21%

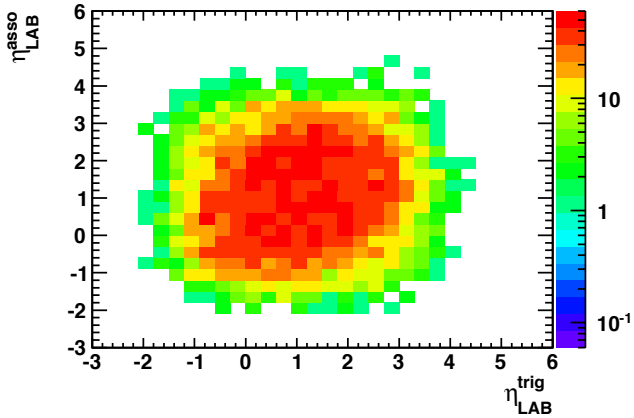
Kinematics cuts for di-hadron/di-jet methods

Di-hadron cut:

1. Two highest p_T, p_T^{trig}>2GeV, p_T^{asso}>1GeV
2. π/K/p

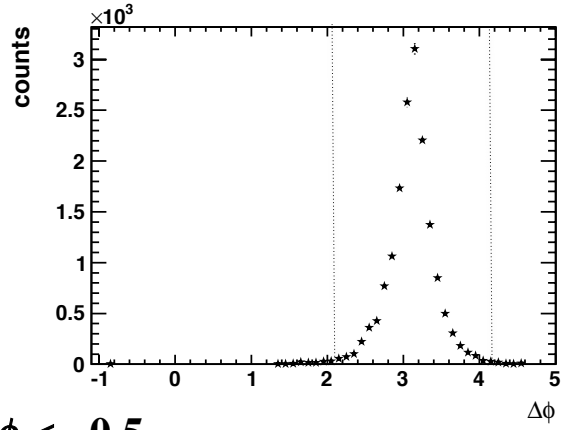


3. $\cos\Delta\phi < -0.5$



Di-jet cut:

1. Two highest p_T, p_T^{trig}>5GeV, p_T^{asso}>4.5GeV
2. Inside the jet, stable particle p_T>250MeV



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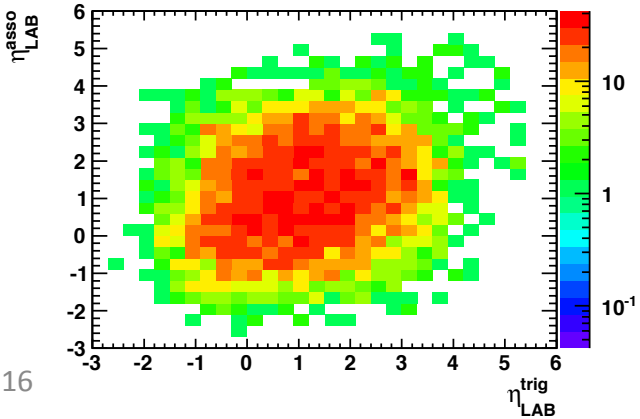
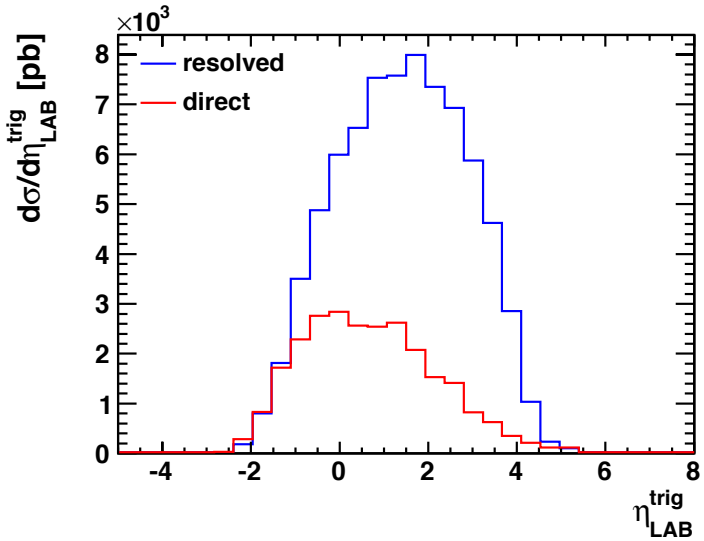


η_{LAB} separation

Di-hadron method



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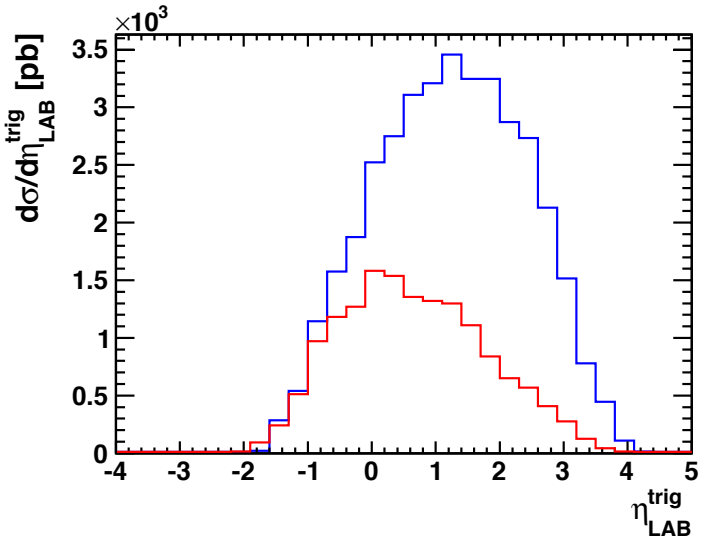
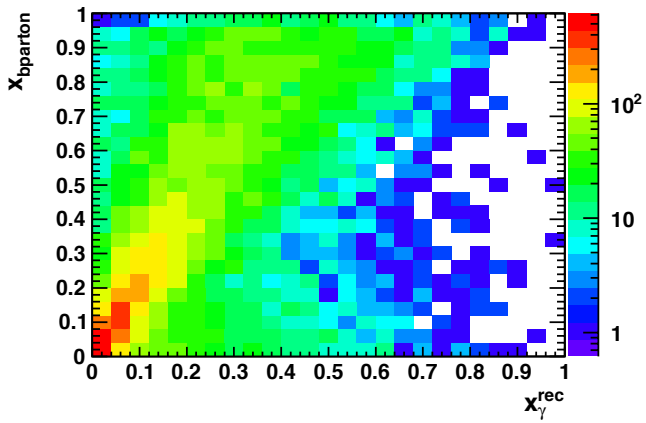


- **For both methods:**
  - **- At positive η_{LAB}, especially $\eta_{LAB} > 2$, the cross section is dominated by resolved process.**

$\eta^{asso}{}_{LAB}$ distribution of associate hadron/jet shows the same results

Reconstructing x^{rec}_{γ}

Di-hadron method



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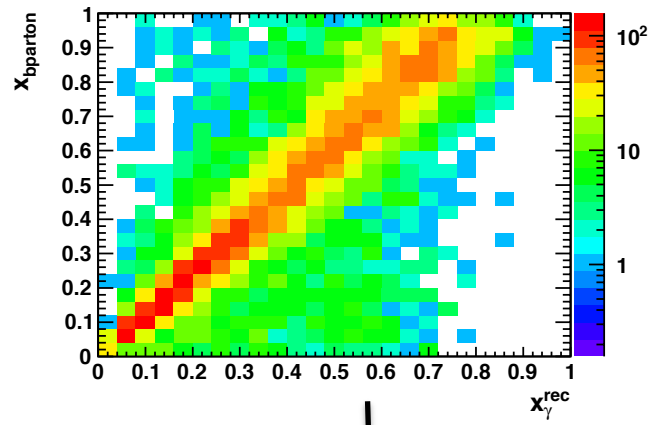
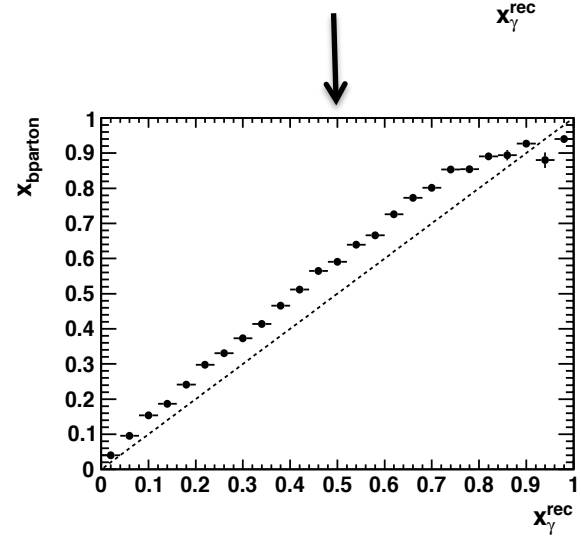
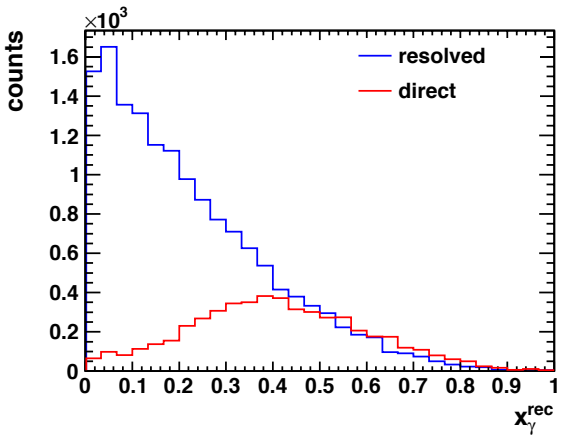




- **Both di-hadron and di-jet methods can help us separate resolved/direct process.**
- **Di-jet method provides a better way to reconstruct x^{rec}_{γ}**

x^{rec}_{γ} separation

Di-hadron method



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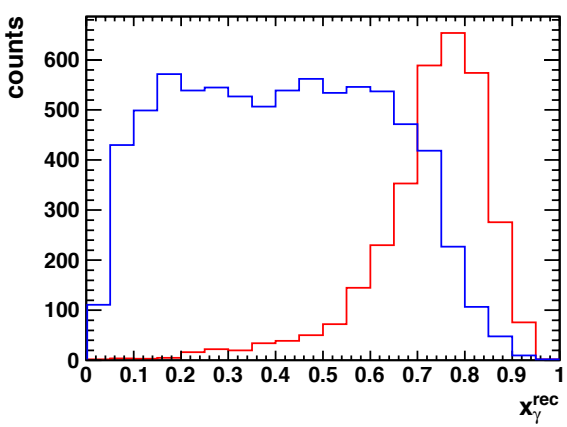
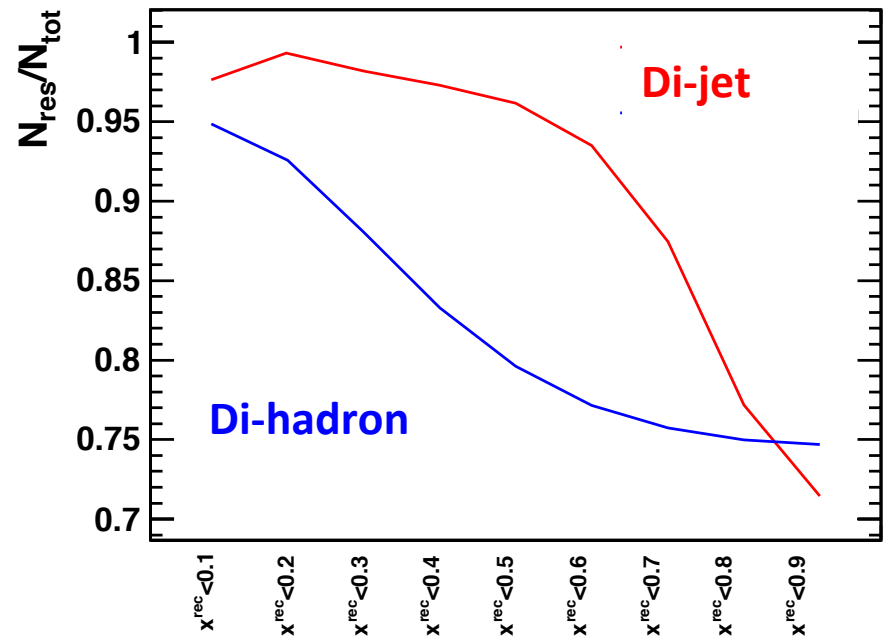


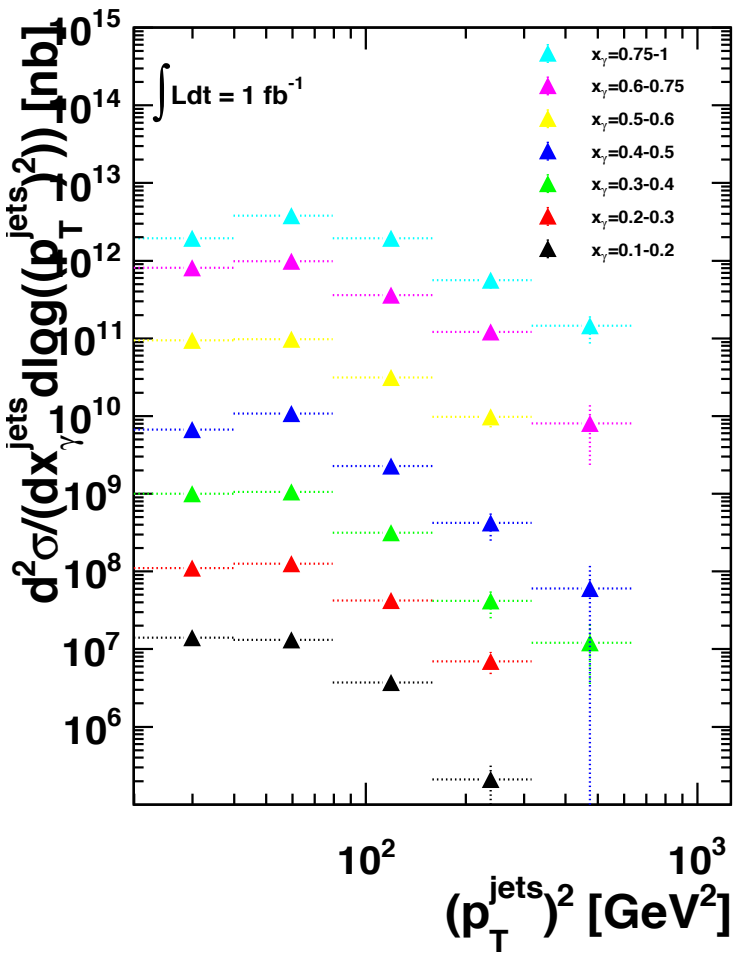
If we choose different x^{rec}_{γ} cut, how well can we separate resolved/direct processes:



- **Small x^{rec}_{γ}: mainly resolved contribution**
- **Large x^{rec}_{γ}: mainly direct contribution**

- **Di-jet method shows better separation of resolved and direct photon**

Di-jet cross section

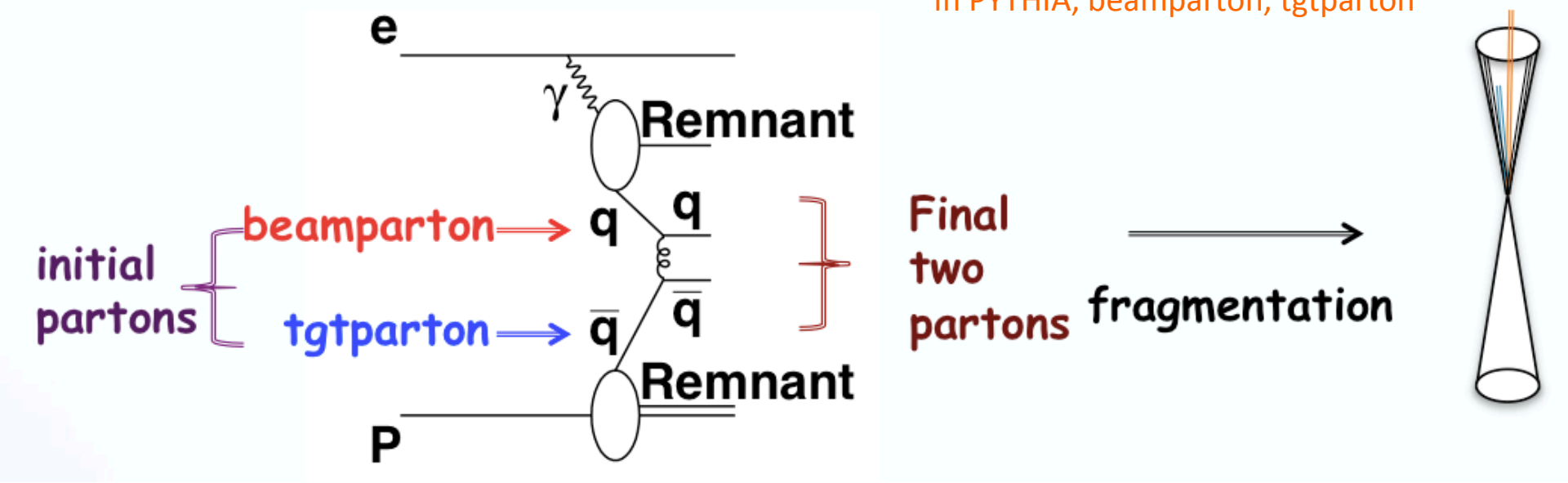


- The simulation shows the capability to measure the cross section for di-jet production, with high accuracy in a wide kinematic range at EIC and extract the photon PDFs from a global fit.

Parton-jet match

- As we have known how to separate "direct" and "resolved" process, then we measure jet kinematics in resolved process
- Basic info about resolved process and how to tag di-jet back to two final partons

In PYTHIA, beamparton, tgtparton



- **"Path" to do parton-jet match:**
  - beamparton - one final parton - one jet of di-jet ⟹ Jet from photon side
  - tgtparton - another final parton - another jet of di-jet ⟹ Jet from proton side

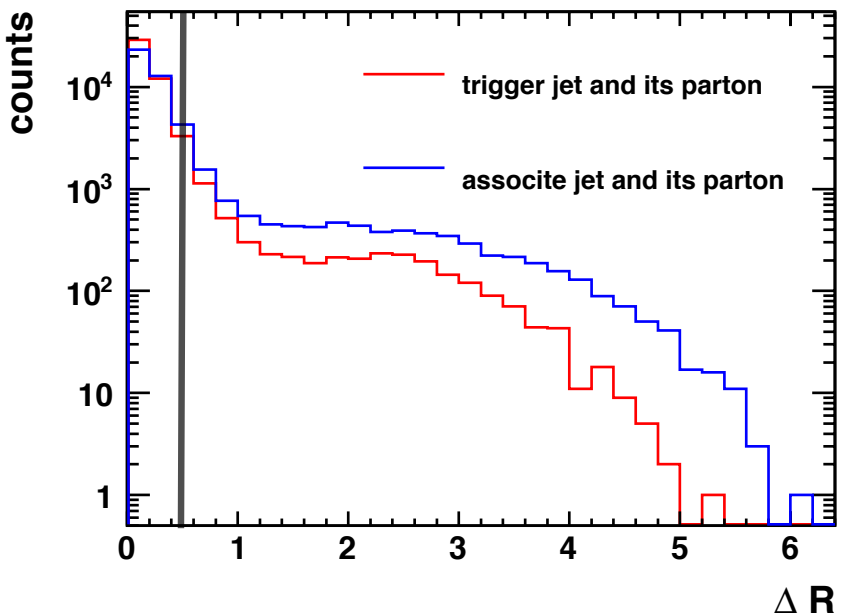
How to match di-jet with two final partons

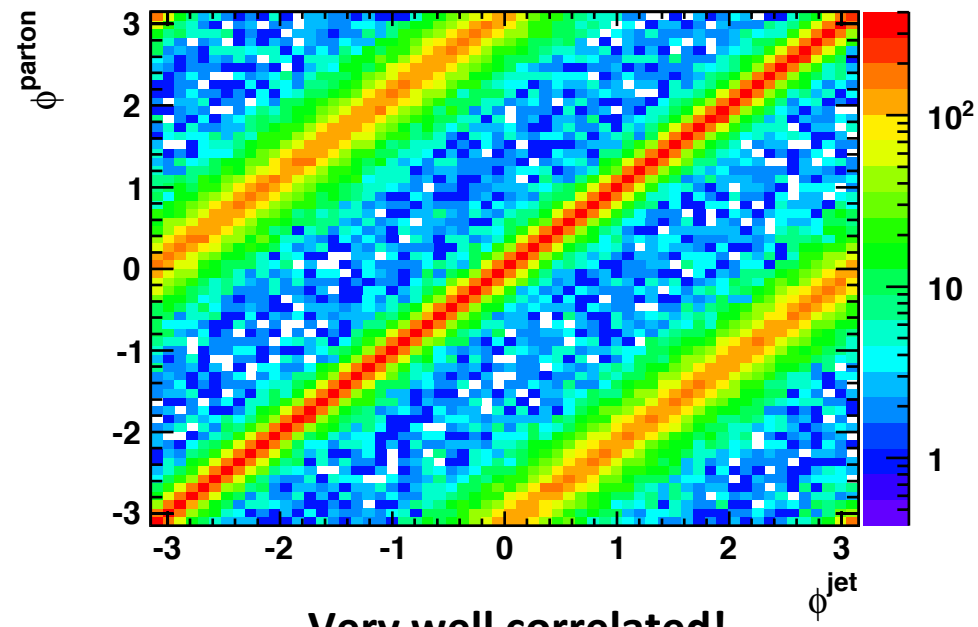
Geometric match:

$$\Delta R\{parton - jet\} = \sqrt{\Delta\phi^2 + \Delta\eta^2}$$

What I used in the analysis $\Delta R\{parton - jet\} < 0.5$

If Pseudorapifity matches, what about the **angle correlation** between parton and jet:





Very well correlated!

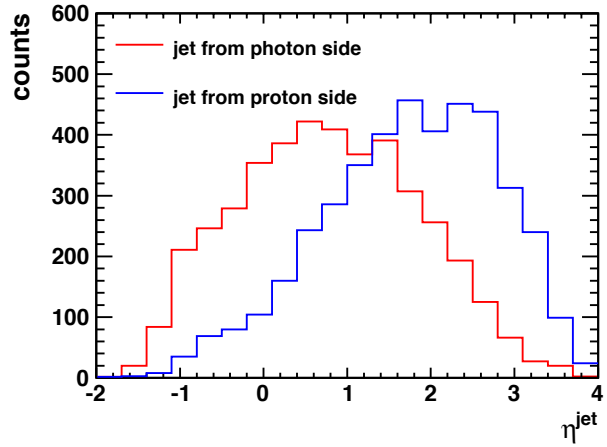
beamparton ✓ **match** → **Two final partons** ✓ **match** → **Di-jet**

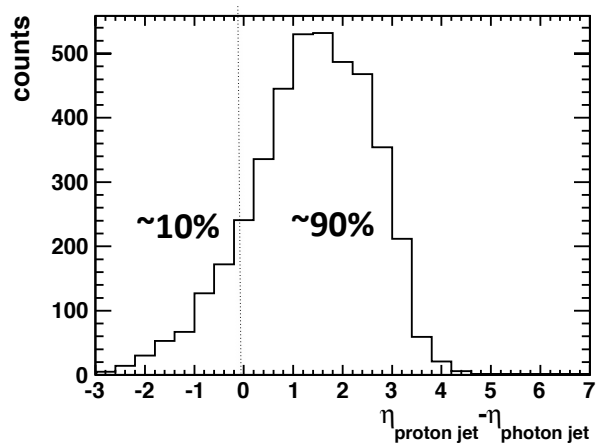
tgtparton

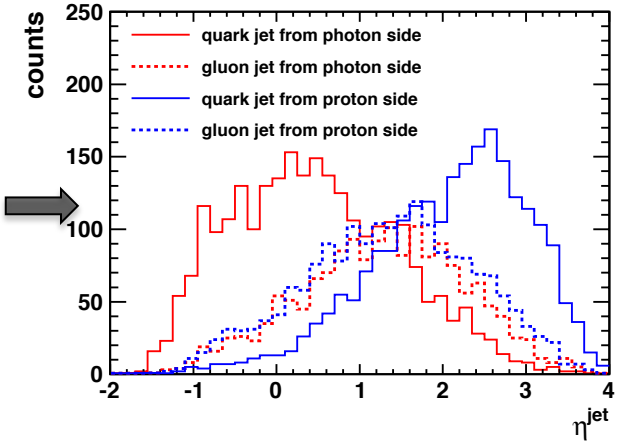
Photon side jet and proton side jet

hadrons $\eta_{LAB} > 0$ → ← electrons $\eta_{LAB} < 0$

Separate jets from photon side and proton side

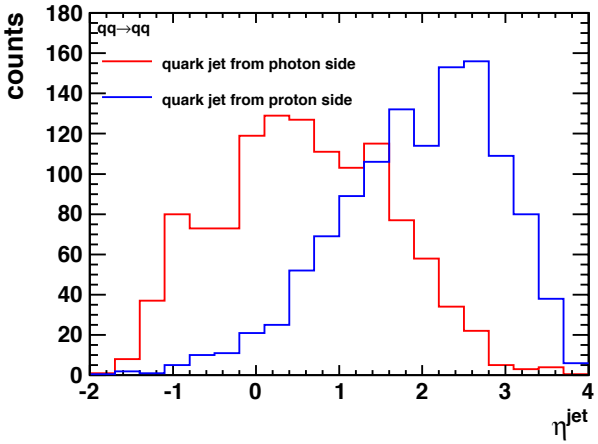




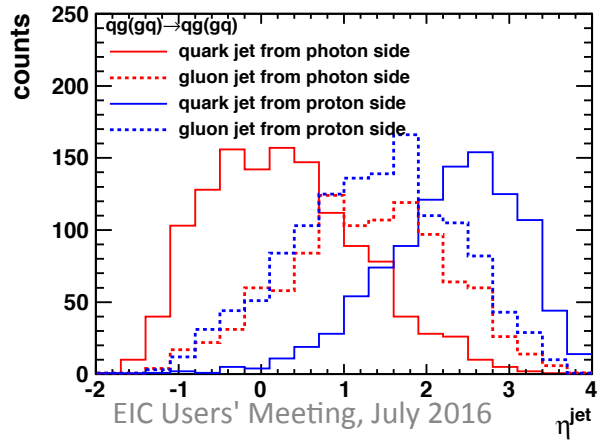


Divide into subprocesses

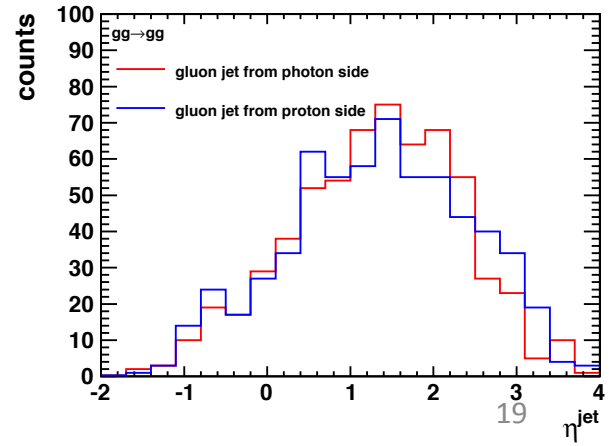
qq-qq 31.9%



gq(qg)-gq(qg) 55.8%



gg-gg 10.4%



Summary

- **In resolved processes, photon has a hadronic structure**
  - Di-jets produced in resolved and direct process can be well separated at EIC
- **Photon PDFs can be extracted by reconstructing x_γ**
  - $x^{rec}{}_\gamma$ is correlated with input x_γ
  - We can effectively access the underlying photon PDFs by measuring di-jet cross section in quasi-real photoproduction at EIC
- **Jet from photon side goes more to negative rapidity**
  - Distinguish jets from beam side and target side
- **Will use LHC jet variables to separate gluon and quark jets statistically**

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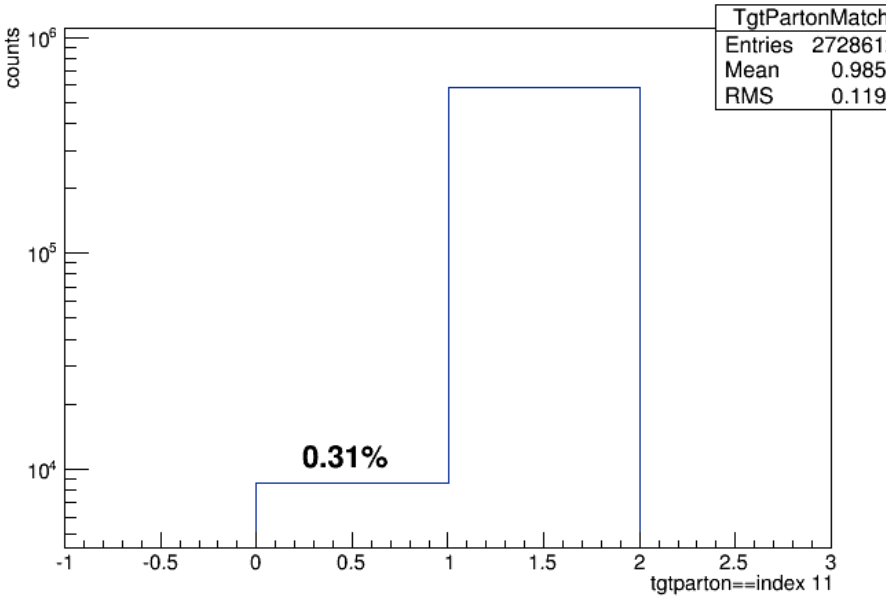

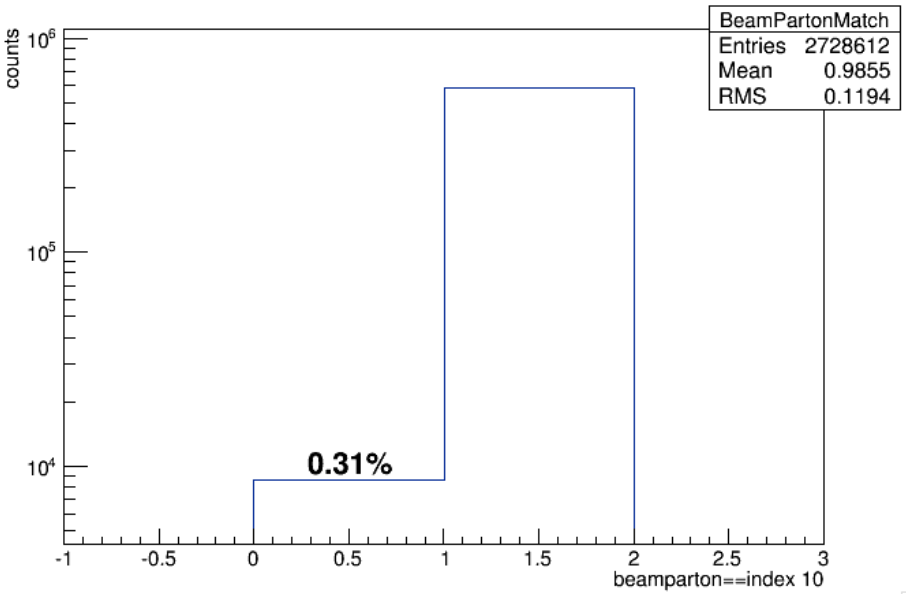

Flavor match: beamparton – index 9
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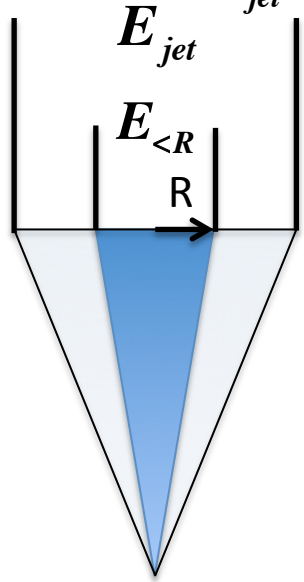
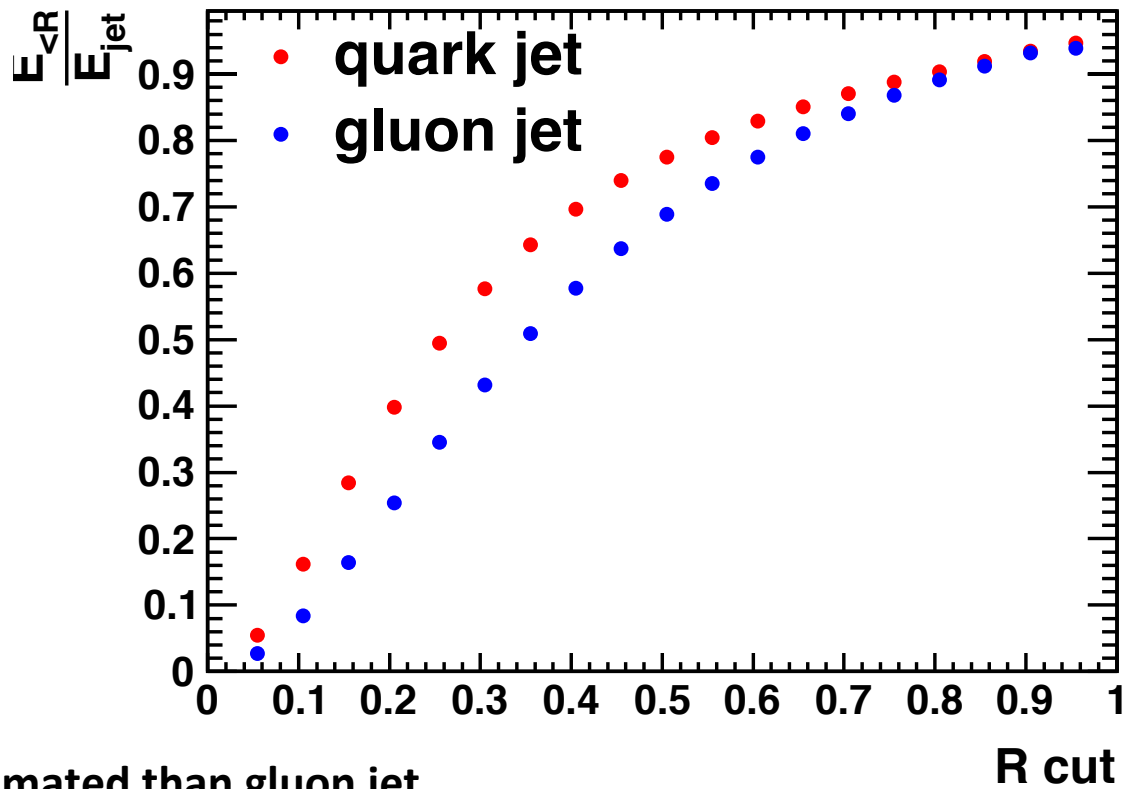
Quark jet and gluon jet

Jet profile: $\frac{E_{<R}}{E_{jet}}$



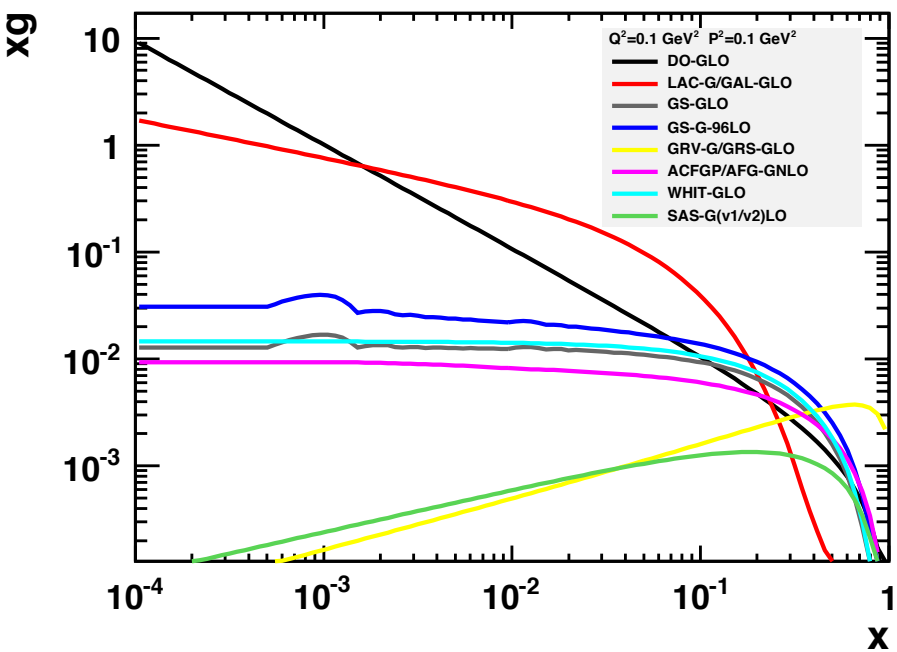


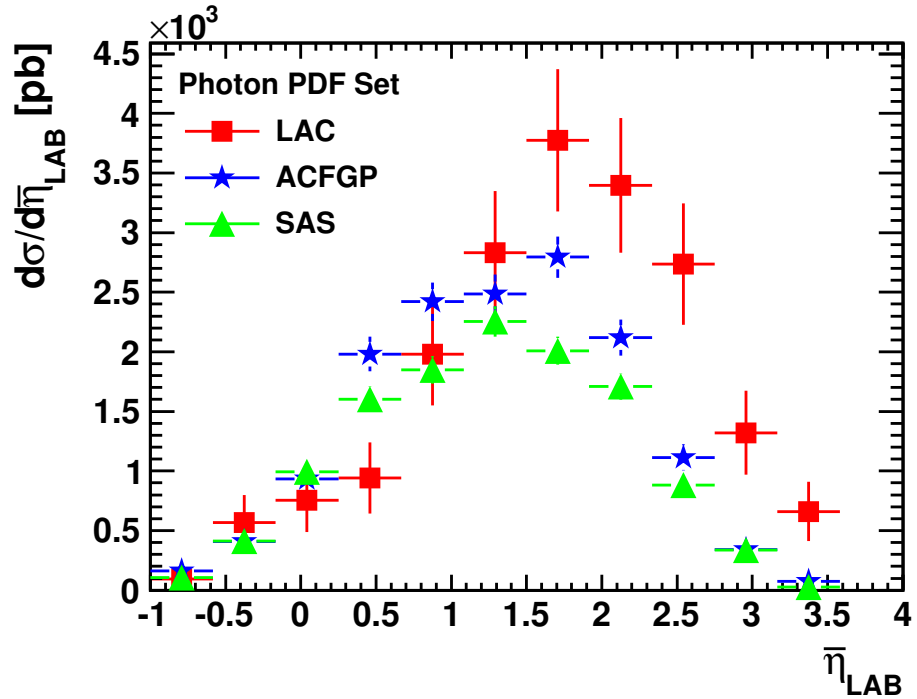
- **Quark jet is more collimated than gluon jet**
  - Choose a R cut with maximum difference value of jet profile, give possibility of types of jets

Di-jet cross section on different photon PDF sets

LAC ACFGP SAS

Question: Difference, especially when Pseudorapidity>1.5, maily comes from quark jet or gluon jet from the photon?





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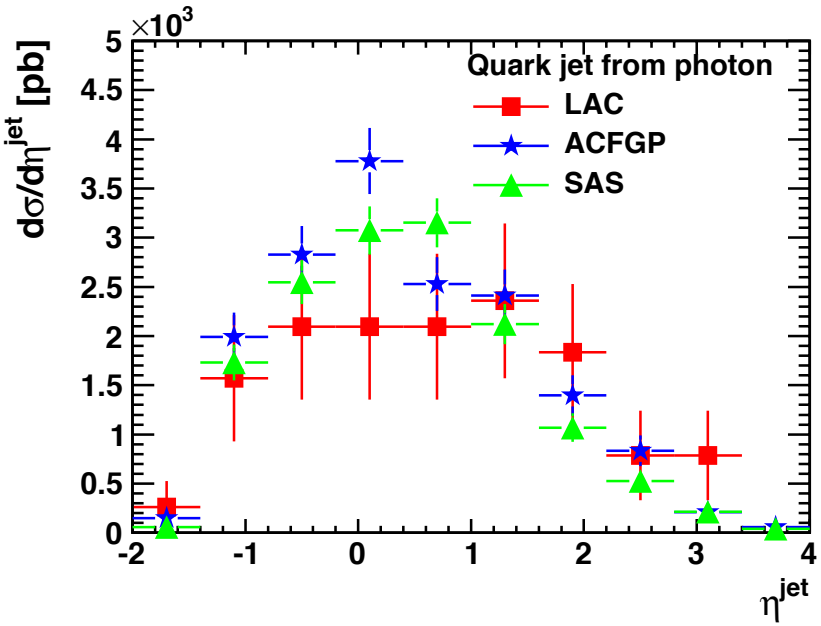

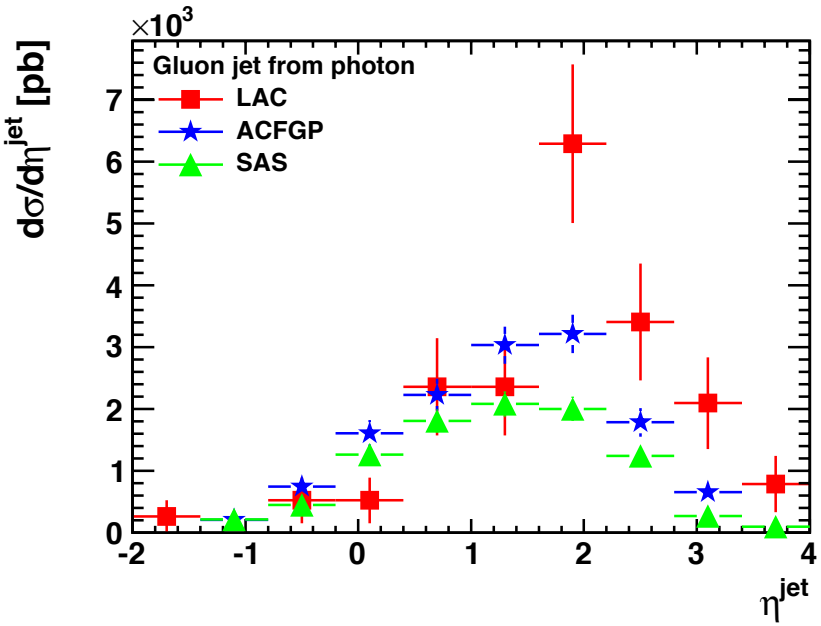

- **Answer:** It dominated by gluon jet if we only consider contribution from photon side jet.
- **Conclusion:** Gluon distribution of the photon is sensitive to di-jet cross section . Photon PDFs can be extracted by measuring the di-jet cross section in photoproduction process.